

Application No. 10/625,370
Amendment dated June 28, 2005
Reply to Final Office Action of March 4, 2005

REMARKS

In the Final Office Action, the Examiner has allowed claim 29 and objected to claims 7-8, 12-13 and 17-19 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but indicated that the objected to claims would be allowable if rewritten in independent form to include all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Accordingly, Applicants cancel claims 1-6, 9-11, 14-16, and 20-28, and amends claims 7 and 17 to include all the limitations of base claim 1. Claim 7 was further amended by adding the limitations of intervening claim 6. As claims 8, 12-13 and 17-19 depend either directly or indirectly from claims 7 and 17, and claim 29 was indicated as allowable, Applicants respectfully submit the application is now in condition for allowance.

In addition, to eliminate minor errors in form, Applicants amend claim 7 by substituting the article "a" for the article "the" and by substituting the word "forms" for the word "forming." Applicants respectfully submit that these amendments of form do not alter the scope of the claims.

Based on the foregoing, applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the application as herein amended.

Respectfully submitted,
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